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Attorney Docket No. LT-171
Examiner Brian K. Young
Art Unit 2819

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Hon. Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Sir:

This is a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, of pending prior Application No. 10/779,292 (Confirmation No. 7415), filed on February 12, 2004 of Linear Technology Corp. for BUFFERED OVERSAMPLING ANALOG-TO-DIGITAL CONVERTER WITH IMPROVED DC OFFSET PERFORMANCE.

1. Please enter the Amendment Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 filed on _____ in Application No. _____.
2. Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief filed on _____ in Application No. _____.
3. An Amendment/Reply and Transmittal Letter are enclosed.
4. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) is/are enclosed.
5. Accompanying this Request for Continued Examination is an Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449 (submitted in duplicate) and copies of the cited references. Applicant respectfully requests that the documents cited in the Information Disclosure Statement be: (1) fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application; and (2) printed on any patent which may issue on this application. Applicant requests that a copy of Form PTO-1449, as considered and initialized by the Examiner, be returned with the next communication.
6. A Resubmission of Formal Drawings (7 sheets; FIGS. 1-7).
7. A suspension of action on the above-identified patent application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months.
8. A check in the amount of \$770.00 in payment of the fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is enclosed.
9. Please charge \$770.00 to Deposit Account No. 06-1075 in payment of the fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e). A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed.
10. The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) in connection with this Request, or to credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed.

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11. Please grant a one-month, two-month, three-month, four-month, extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to the Examiner's Final Action of _____ in the above-identified patent application, extending the pendency of this application from _____ up to and including _____.

12. A check in the amount of \$_____ in payment of the extension-of-time fee is enclosed.

13. The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional extension-of-time fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 in connection with this paper, or to credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed.

14. Please charge the extension-of-time fee of \$_____ to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed.

September 24, 2004

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